



INFORMATION FOR 2009 SE² AWARD WINNER PRESS RELEASE

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The Winners of the 2009 SE² (Sustainability and Energy Efficiency) Leadership Award were announced at the 6th Annual SE2 Conference and Award Ceremony held in Milwaukee on September 16, 2009.

The ceremony, attended by more than 350 people, was opened by Mary Schlaefer, the Director of Focus on Energy. After hearing comments from competition Judge Don McLauchlan, each winner received an engraved plaque made of recycled glass.

The 2009 winners are:

Focus on Energy Award of Excellence

- The Spirit of Africa Exhibit, Baraboo, Submitted by MSA Integrated Project Delivery
- Lussier Community Education Center, Madison, Submitted by KEE Architecture

Award of Merit

- First Unitarian Society Meeting House, Madison, Submitted by Kubala Washatko Architects
- Engberg Anderson - Milwaukee Office, Submitted by Engberg Anderson

Special Citation

- Fox Valley Technical College – Waupaca Regional Training Center, Submitted by Somerville Architects
- Kohl's Photo Studio, Milwaukee, Submitted by Kohl's
- KBS Construction Office Building, Madison, Submitted by Dimension IV
- Johnson Bank, Brookfield, Submitted by Eppstein Uhen Architects
- 234 W. Florida, Milwaukee, Submitted by Pieper Properties, Inc.

ABOUT THE SE² PROGRAM:

The SE² (Sustainability and Energy Efficiency) Leadership Award program recognizes leadership in energy efficient and sustainable design, construction and operation of Wisconsin commercial and other non-residential buildings and related systems. The goal is to encourage greater collaboration among owners, designers, builders and operators by highlighting the value of projects that enhance the built environment.

Each year the award committee receives applications from many of Wisconsin's most innovative and high-performance building projects. In 2009, we received more than 20 entries—record participation.

There are three AWARD LEVELS:

Focus on Energy Awards of Excellence—presented for exceptional achievement and overall excellence.



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Awards of Merit—acknowledge commendable achievement.

Special Citations—recognize superior elements of an outstanding design.

The award has been in existence for 6 years, and is administered by the following partner organizations:

- The Wisconsin Green Building Alliance
- American Institute of Architects- Wisconsin
- Energy Center of Wisconsin
- ASHRAE – Wisconsin Section
- Focus on Energy
- International Illumination Society – Milwaukee
- International Facility Management Wisconsin

ABOUT THE JUDGING AND CRITERIA

A panel of three judges from outside the state met in August for a day to review, assess and determine award winners and levels.

They assess each project on the following criteria:

- **Complexity of Problem:** Were there complex design problems that were successfully addressed?
- **Overall Performance:** How does the entry work as a whole? It is maintainable?
- **Human Factors/Aesthetic Integration:** Is it an enriching and healthy place for people?
- **Energy Efficiency:** Consider both the design and the operation of the system/building. Has the efficiency been adequately demonstrated?
- **Sustainability:** Does the project incorporate other elements that reduce the consumption of resources?
- **Innovation:** Do the design solutions represent a new or unique approach?
- **Replicability:** Can this solution be applied to projects in the future?

The SE² Judges are:

JAMES BENYA, PE, FIES, IALD, LC, is Principal of Benya Lighting Design of West Linn, Oregon. He is a professional lighting designer and consultant with more than thirty years of experience. His design work has been published in numerous industry magazines, and he has lectured extensively on the professional conference circuit.

DONALD J. McLAUCHLAN, P.E., C.E.M., LEED AP, is principal of Elara Energy Services, Inc.. Don brings over 30 years of experience in MEP design, construction and commissioning. Don has



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received 9 first place Illinois ASHRAE excellence in engineering awards. Don is a licensed professional engineer, certified energy manager and LEED accredited professional. Don has authored several technical articles for trade journals and has been a speaker at numerous industry conferences. Don holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering (BSME) from University of Illinois at Chicago.

WILLIAM STURM, AIA is a recognized leader in environmentally sustainable architectural design. Under his guidance, Serena Sturm Architects' ethic of energy and resource conservation has been a firm-wide commitment for nearly 25 years. SSA has quietly expanded its reputation for collaborative, contextual design resulting in completed "green" buildings in most all project types and several awards for design excellence.

More information on the SE² Award and Conference can be found at www.wgba.org, or by calling Wisconsin Green Building Alliance at 414-224-9422